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Chapman, V.D.

MONTHLY REPORT.

The monthly state is required at the
Orders Room, not later than 5 p.m.
on Tuesday, 29th instant.

The following extract from Orders by
Chief Engineer, China Command, is
published for information:

The anti-aircraft members of the
Engineers' Coy., H.K.V.C., are moved to
the "President" rate of Engineer pay
with effect from 11.2.16. No. 1454
Sapper Hinch, No. 1241 Sapper Oswald,
No. 1202 Sapper Smith, and No. 1221
Sapper Old.

MUSKETRY.

Musketry, (Barracks) Course, Part 11,
(Standard Test), will be carried out at
King's Park Range as follows:—

Saturday, 4th March, 2.30 p.m.—Right
Section M.G. Co.

Sunday, 5th March, 9.30 a.m.—Scouts
Company.

O.C. concerned will take steps to
ensure that every recruit of their Com-
pany or Section, who is in the Colony,
free the course on the dates arranged
above. Corp. Officers, B.C., will attend
and N.C.O.s of the units having men
being will attend to assist. The Officer in
charge of the firing point will check the
ammunition both before and after firing
each day.

Officers on duty at firing point:—March
4th, Lieut. Keen; March 5th, An
Officer of the Scouts Company.

Officers on duty in barracks:—March 4th,
Lieut. Webb; March 5th, Lieut. Bees.
PARADES.

Parades for Tuesday, 29th instant:—
5.10 p.m.—Centre Section M.G. Co.—
M.G. Drill at Kowloon Barracks. Launches
leave Statue Pier at 4.30 p.m.

5.15 p.m.—Nos. 1 and 2 Subsections
Atty. Duty, (as detailed in Corps Order
No. 4 dated 20.12.15)—10 p.m. gun drill
at Headquarters. Sgt. Bradley, R.G.A.,
will attend.

5.15 p.m.—Right Section M.G. Co.—
Section drill and Musketry exercises on
Cricket Ground.

5.15 p.m.—Left Section M.G. Co.—
Machine Gun drill at Headquarters.

5.15 p.m.—Recruits of all units—Squad
drill and rifle exercises at Headquarters
under Sgt. Major High and one N.C.O.
from Right Sec. M.G. Co.

5.15 p.m.—Stretcher Bearer Section—
Instruction at Headquarters.

DETAIL.

On duty until morning of 3rd March:
H.K.V.C.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

MUSKETRY, PART 2.

All ranks who have passed Part 1 and
have not yet fired Ranges A to D. In Part
2 will leave Statue Pier at 1.30 p.m. sharp
on Saturday, March 4th.

Inspectors Lammer and Sinder Khan
will each detail one N.C.O. and Inspectors
Alves and J. M. Wong will each detail two
N.C.O.s from their respective commands
for Range Dates on the above date.

(Sgd.) P. C. TERRY.

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NOTICE.

ANY EUROPEAN, NON ASIATIC or
INDIAN desiring to leave the
Colony should apply in writing for per-
mission to do so to the Captain Super-
intendent of Police, at least 48 hours
before the intended hour of departure,
giving name, nationality, age, sex, height
and occupation of the applicant, and
stating the name of the steamer or other
vessel or the hour of the train by which
the applicant wishes to leave. Applicants
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ADDRESS BY CONSUL-GENERAL
SAMMONS.Washington's Birthday on February
22nd was observed at Shanghai by a dinner
at the Astor House—the biggest thing of
the sort ever attempted by the hotel.The speaker of the occasion was Consul-
General SAMMONS, whose address is given
below. In reference to Dr. Ransom's
suggestion that a meeting place for Ameri-
cans is badly needed in Shanghai, Mr.
Sammons said that he hoped when the
Government makes an appropriation for an
American building a public room will be
provided in which recognized American
societies may gather. Mr. Sammons
stated that there are now registered at the
Consulate in Shanghai 1,550 Americans, but
he believed there are many who have not
registered, and he urged all such to do so.On behalf of Mrs. Sammons and himself,
Consul-General SAMMONS in a few brief
words assured those present of their warm
hospitals to be again in Shanghai where
they have so many good friends, and
expressed delight at finding so many
Americans present on the occasion of the
celebration of the birthday of the Father
of their country. Mr. Sammons has recently
returned from an extended trip through
the United States, during which he devoted
much of his time to furthering America's
commercial interests in China.I found evidence (he said) of much
industrial activity in leading commercial
centres of America. Everywhere inquiry
was made regarding trade possibilities in
China and the Far East, and never on any
previous trip home have I found so many
practical and successful business men
desirous of finding out just what may be
expected in this part of the world in selling
suitable American products.Before starting on a rather extended
tour of many of the important industrial
centres of the United States, I called upon
the President in the usual way, and then
proceeded to such cities as Philadelphia,
New York, Rochester, Detroit, Chicago,
Seattle, Tacoma, Portland and San Fran-
cisco. I was twice called back from New
York to Washington, for conferences with
the Federal Trade Commission.

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

I also took advantage of the opportunity
presented while in Washington to consult
freely with the energetic men in charge of
the headquarters of the Chamber of Com-
merce of the United States. Those gentle-
men are much interested in the recently
organized American Chamber of Commerce
of China, and they assured me of their
desire to co-operate most enthusiastically
with Americans in China.These gentlemen and others were given
a further outline of our needs in the matter
of permanent quarters for our Govern-
ment officers at Shanghai, and they, one
and all, sent their best wishes for our
success in obtaining the necessary
appropriation.Senator Saulsbury, and Congressmen
Austin Britten, Edmunds and others who
visited this port during the past summer
and personally investigated conditions here.

BEWARE OF COLDS.

CHILDREN are much more likely to
contract the contagious diseases when
they have colds. Whooping cough, diph-
theria, scarlet fever and consumption are
diseases that are often contracted when
the child has a cold. That is why all
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U. S. CONSULATE PREMISES AT SHANGHAI.

On behalf of the general question of
providing American Consulate premises
throughout the world, I consulted with Mr.
Goodwin, as well as with the President
and other officers of the National Chamber,
regarding the proposal to bring the matter
before the business men of the entire
country, through the powerful commercial
organizations now affiliated with the
headquarters at Washington, and it became
evident that, in case appropriations are not
made in due course, the voice of the
American manufacturers and exporters
will be heard in no uncertain way.I also took this question up with the
National Association of Manufacturers
while attending the International Trade
Conference conducted by that representa-
tive organization in New York last Decem-
ber. On that occasion I found the same
ready and sympathetic response that was
forthcoming from all American business
men wherever I went from the Atlantic
to the Pacific seaboard.I have referred to this subject somewhat
in detail because of the interest in the
movement to provide suitable American
diplomatic and consular quarters abroad,
and I may add that I have, in a measure,
at least, practiced what I preached by
recently presenting the American Consulate
building at Yokohama to our Government.

INTEREST IN CHINA.

During my recent visit to America's
industrial centres, I found many who are
interested in Far Eastern trade preparing
to visit China in the near future. My at-
tention was also called to a number of new
enterprises, having completed or pro-
spective trading plans in connection with
Far Eastern commercial possibilities.I found the manufacturers and exporters
of the country, who are interested in foreign
trade, highly pleased with the plans of
leading bankers to provide adequate
American banking facilities abroad.Lastly, but by no means least, I found
that remarkable new organization, known
as the International Corporation, prepared
to perform an important international
service in advancing American trade
relations and in financing and promoting
private or public construction and develop-
ment activities generally.Everywhere, you may be sure, there
were evidences of an earnest desire for
increased shipping facilities. On the
whole, it was decidedly gratifying to find
so many practical and successful business
men preparing personally to investigate
trade conditions in this part of the world.Judge Loucheux also made a few remarks
appropriate to the occasion.In the afternoon there was a largely
attended reception at the Judge's residence
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Hongkong, Feb. 24, 1916.

NOTICE.

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GUSTAV ENGEL of Messrs. Wm.
MEYERINK & Co. are requested to file
same with the Liquidator before 15th
March, 1916.
ALEX. ROSS & Co.
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Hongkong, Feb. 9, 1916.

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NEW SHARES AND DEBENTURES.

REMINDER TO SHAREHOLDERS.

New Shares.

TUESDAY, the 29th February instant
is the LAST day for:

(1) Payment for accepted shares.

(2) Acceptance and payment of shares
by absent shareholders.After that date shares accepted and not
paid for will be liable to forfeiture and the
right to accept unaccepted shares will
expire.

DEBENTURES.

TUESDAY, the 29th February instant,
is the LAST day for receiving applications
for debentures.R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Feb. 24, 1916.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES
of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
on THURSDAY, the 2nd March, 1916, at
11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors and the State-
ment of Accounts for the year ending 31st
December, 1915.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from 31st February
to 2nd March, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 14, 1916.

THE HONGKONG STEAM LAUNCH
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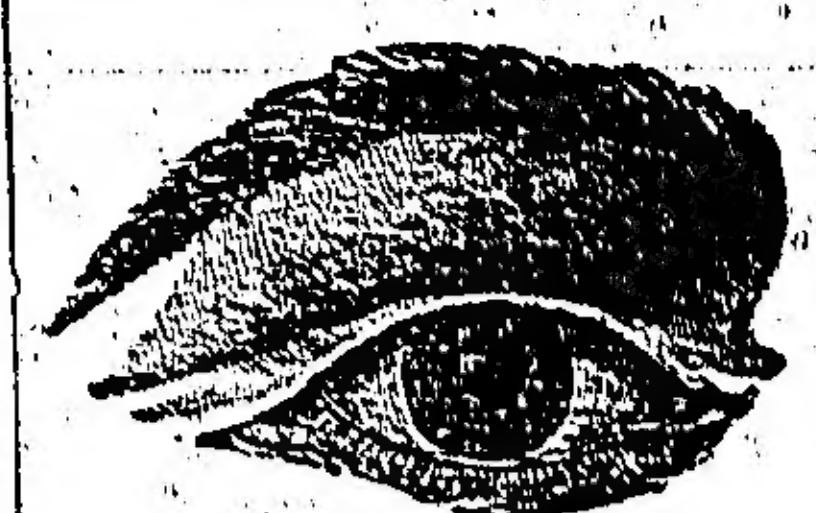
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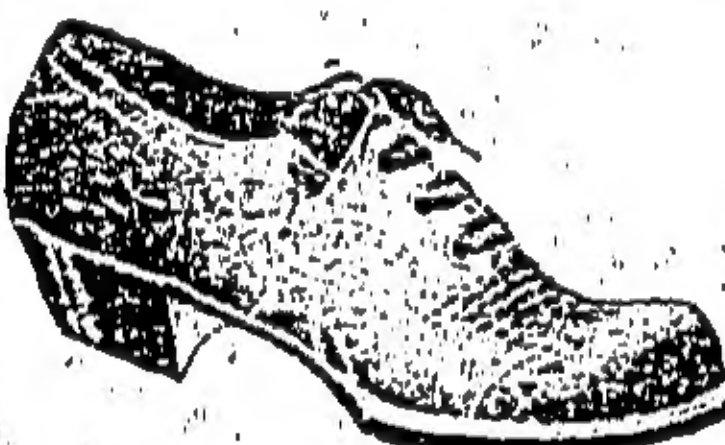
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The twenty-second Annual Meeting of the Laou Kung Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd., was held on February 21st at the offices of the general managers, Messrs Albert and Co., Ltd., Shanghai. Those present at the meeting were the following directors, Mr. E. C. Pearce (Chairman), Mr. C. M. Rain, Mr. E. L. Kara, Mr. Chung Liang-yu, and shareholders representing altogether 1,736 shares.

The Chairman said: "Gentlemen, The report and accounts having been in your hands for some few days, we will, with your permission, adopt our usual procedure and take them as read."

In laying the report and accounts before the shareholders, your Board regret that the result of the year's working is not satisfactory.

In reviewing the past year, I have to report a complete dislocation of the mill's internal working during the greater part of the year due to staff and labour troubles. During the first quarter your Board were faced with an output from the mill showing a quantity of cotton to produce a bale of yarn out of all proportion to our previous records, owing to the amount of waste cotton produced in spinning. Very little better results were obtained for the next quarter. Your Board realized that it was necessary to make a drastic change in the working of the mill. Mr. Murphy, our manager for several years, endeavoured to do his best, but was unfortunately severely handicapped by ill health, which was corroborated by a letter from the Company's medical adviser informing the Board that he could not further stand the strain of management. During August the hands became so unruly that it became necessary to dismiss the whole of the native staff.

Mr. Fairhurst, our present manager, was engaged on September 14, and took over charge of the mill on October 2. Then commenced a period of intimidation on the part of the dismissed Chinese to incur discontent among the new hands; at one time in September the troubles almost resulted in a complete stoppage of the mill. In these circumstances, the output was seriously affected. The labour trouble became so acute that on the evening of October 4 several leaders obtained access to the mill with the night shift, who after extinguishing the lights, started a miniature riot in the spinning room, causing the breakage of several windows and the deliberate cutting of some 40 driving belts. The police had to be called in to restore order.

Matters commenced to run more smoothly in November, but the new Chinese contractor was unable to turn out anything like our normal production. During the last quarter, although the new manager has been able to reorganize successfully the internal working of the mill, the market has been against us, yarn, as you are aware, gradually falling away in price.

Under these very adverse circumstances, against which your Board have had to contend throughout the year, it is to be regretted that no dividend is possible. Your plant and machinery are in good working order and although we are unable to recommend any depreciation this year,

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they stand in the books at a very conservative figure, thanks to the policy of prudence. During the year you will notice from the accounts that we have spent \$12,771.25 in repairs and renewals.

From the accounts you will also see that the undivided profits of the mill are on a footing, we should say, the best we could expect for yarns recovered from the leachery into which it has fallen during the last three or four months.

Before asking you to adopt the Accounts and Report, I shall be pleased to answer any questions to the best of my ability. The following four resolutions were then passed without discussion:

"That the report and accounts as presented be passed." Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. Rain.

"That Messrs. E. L. Kara and Chung Liang-yu be re-elected directors of the company." Proposed by Mr. R. W. Wells and seconded by Mr. C. M. Rain.

"That Mr. George Wingwee be re-elected the company's auditor for the current year." Proposed by Mr. R. W. Wells and seconded by Mr. M. C. Sime.

"That the next general meeting be held during either the month of February or March 1917." Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. Kara.

"THAT" AND "WHICH."

One error of writers that gets on my nerves is the incorrect use of "which" and "that," and especially of "which" for "that." says a writer in The New York Sun. Almost universally these words are used indifferently as if they meant the same thing, and a large percentage of writers have an annoying preference for "which" where they should use "that," seeming to regard the former as a more choice expression and as lending more distinction to their style. There is not the slightest excuse for this. We do not expect writers to use a double negative for an affirmative, and would consider the habit the height of banality. Yet this misuse of "which" is just as banal.

Examples abound in almost any book that may be picked up. The following are taken at random from the first book at hand. Speaking of Pico della Mirandola, Peter ("The Renaissance") says: "For the essence of humanism is that belief, of which he seems never to have doubted, that nothing which has ever interested living men and women can wholly lose its vitality." He means "nothing that has ever interested." The two forms of expression do not mean the same thing at all. "Nothing which has ever interested" means that nothing is always interested men and women—an absurdity.

The translator of Jean Christophe seems not to know that there is such a word as "that," at least he seems incapable of using it. In a preface, speaking of Jean

Christophe, he says: "What was not true for him does not exist; and as there are very few of the processes of human growth or decay which are not analyzed, there is a prophetic current of modern life which has appeared in literature in this century. There is hardly a page of a translation that does not bristle with such gaudieries of grammar."

In the introduction to Tolstoy's "Childhood, Boyhood and Youth" it is said: "As a series of pen pictures of the author's early life this book will, for many persons, convey more than the fullest and most connected autobiography of the same period could have done. Still more, for such persons, will it suggest any study which could be written by the most intimate friend or the most enthusiastic disciple of the master."

Matthew Arnold ("On Translating Homer") writes: "Instead of discussing Homer's (alleged) grandeur as a general question I prefer to bring to my mind some style which is gaudier, and to ask myself whether anything at all of the impression made by that style is ever made by the style of Homer. The following, to take out of a thousand instances the first which comes to hand, and so forth."

If any one needs a rule on the subject the following, from the Editor's Note to Cobbe's "English Grammar," is clear enough: "Who and which are proper only to the coordinating relative pronouns, 'that' is properly the restrictive relative pronoun. Whenever a clause restricts, limits, defines, qualifies, the antecedent, i.e., whenever it is adjectival—explanatory in its functions, it should be introduced with the relative pronoun 'that,' and not with 'which' or 'who' or 'whom.'"

Admittedly a certain amount of bad grammar, in fact I demand it. Writing that is perfectly grammatical is by the nature of the case p. dante, it is "fairly faultless" and exact, precise, distinct. The best writers are all "ungrammatical," using bad grammar with taste, finesse and distinction. As a musician needs discord or an artist, for instance, in the grammar of style, and is required for the best effect, there is no excellent beauty that hath not some tragical error in the proportions. The highest skill, in anything, is in knowing when a how to violate the rules. Therefore, I would not have a writer never use "which" for "that"; there are times when higher considerations require that he do so. My complaint is of the habitual misuse of the word. And my advice is that in most instances the word be habitually misused.

A man, who was apparently insane was on Saturday on the roof of Singapore's premises. He was taken to the hospital.

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THE DIARY.

MEMOS. FOR TOMORROW.

St. David's Day.

3 p.m.—Auction of Race Ponies outside the City Hall.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, March 2—

11.30 a.m.—H.R. & K. Wharf and Godown Com. Meeting.

FRIDAY, March 3—

7.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at Messrs. Hughes and Hoag's.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, March 4—

H.K. Horticultural Society's Annual Show.

SATURDAY 4 & MONDAY, March 5—

9.30 p.m.—"The Angel in the House" by the H.K. A.D.O. at Theatre Royal.

SUNDAY, March 6—

9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by S.S. "Taiwan."

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, Feb. 29, 1916.

CURRENT TOPICS.

Model Hongkong.

An extract from an Australian paper printed in the *China Mail* on Saturday showed that the British subjects in Hongkong by enlisting as they have done in the Colonial services and discharging military duties, are regarded with admiration even by an Australian. There are surely few outposts of the Empire where the Governor can say, as Sir HENRY MAY publicly said last Thursday, that "on January 3rd he was in a position to state that there was no Britisher in the Colony who was not either serving in the Volunteers, the Volunteer Reserve, or who was in the Special Police Reserve, or who was not performing approved services for the Government in connection with the War, or who had not been exempted by medical certificate or by himself for special reasons."

The Prisoners-of-War Bill.

The cost of transporting the prisoners of war to Australia given by H.E. the Governor was apparently rather a surprise to many people, but while the detailed statement will be awaited with much interest we can confidently count upon the Government having kept a sharp eye on the public expenditure in this connection. While the Colony will not grudge whatever expenditure was necessary in removing to Australia the prisoners who had so long been detained here, we do not think it can be said that the taxpayers of the colony are so ready to pay the bill for the transport of the batch brought to the Colony a week ago, and of any future batches they may be brought here in the same way. Is it fair that the entire charge of transporting and maintaining these prisoners, and any further batches that may be brought here in the future, should fall entirely on the revenues of Hongkong? Is it not true that some arrangements were made by the Imperial Government whereby the British communities in the Treaty ports of China shall bear their due share of taxation for such imperial purposes? It certainly seems up to the Legislative Council of the Colony to make some representation to the Home Government on this point.

Legality of the Seizure.

The legality of the seizure of Germans travelling on an American ship has been questioned in the North. The Captain of the ship lodged a formal protest at the American consulate at Nagasaki on his arrival at that port, and we notice that Mr. Fessenden, the well-known American lawyer at Shanghai, has written to the *N. C. Daily News* at some length contending that the seizure is a breach of international law. His contentions are examined by our contemporary who disputes Mr. Fessenden's interpretation of the law and declares the law on the subject to be clear and straightforward. In the course of a further reply Mr. Fessenden

says:—"The question seems to me to be whether or not the German passengers on board the *China* were, in fact, an integral part of the armed forces of Germany in such a sense as to justify their capture when on board a neutral vessel. Sick and wounded soldiers certainly are a part of military units, but who have not joined the colours and are not in uniform nor under arms but merely travelling as simple passengers in neutral vessels bound for neutral ports have hitherto always been exempt from capture and there is no established authority so far as the contrary." An Editorial footnote to this letter reminds Mr. Fessenden that some of the men captured on the *China* were escaped officers from Siberia. A point which seems to have been overlooked by both writers is that, as the *China* was calling at Japanese ports on her way to America, her "contraband" cargo of Germans eligible for military service was being taken into the territorial waters of a country at war with Germany, and with whom Great Britain is in alliance! This would seem to be no unimportant factor in determining the question of the legality of the seizure.

Advice to Ladies.

A little correspondence has appeared in a Shanghai paper, of as much interest to the ladies of Hongkong as to the ladies of Shanghai, on the subject of the ways of the Chinese tailor. Here, as in Shanghai, possibly, the ways of ladies are in the habit of buying material and handing it to a Chinese tailor to be "made up." One who signs himself "Diddled" writes to say that frequently when his wife's tailor has brought back the finished garment she had remarked that there did not appear to be the same amount of material in the finished article as in the stuff originally handed to him in the "piece." So the "diddled" husband—who has to pay the bills—set a trap. His wife gave her tailor five yards of material out of which he was to make an undershirt. Unknown to the tailor the husband carefully weighed the five yards of stuff before handing it to him and it tipped the scale at exactly 15 oz., or three oz. to the yard. The skirt made up weighed 10½ oz., so that there were 4½ oz. short; in other words 1½ yards, which, at \$4 a yard, is a pretty good "squeeze" for the tailor. One of the Shanghai medical practitioners writes to say that, unfortunately "squeeze" is not the only nor the most serious danger which lurks in the tailors' shop. "I had a gentleman friend," he says, "who sent some material to a tailor to be made up. Exactly thirteen days after he wore his new garment he contracted a virulent attack of confluent smallpox, which not only disfigured him but cost him an eye. On inquiry, it was found that the child was dying from smallpox when my friend's material was in his house." The doctor's advice to the ladies, therefore, is: "Disinfect your material!"

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A thief last night broke into Miss Pitts' School at 17 Caine Road, and stole 10 American-made chairs and four wooden stools valued at \$24.

Inspector P. O'Sullivan produced in Court this morning about \$10 worth of Chinese copper coins and charged a Chinese with importation. The case was remanded.

A partner in the Wong Yuen firm, 373 Queen's Road West, named Wong Yee, is reported to have collected \$700 from 136 Wing Lok Street, yesterday, and to have absconded with the money.

A typhoon warning was received at the American Consulate General, Hongkong, last night from the Manila Observatory reporting a typhoon east of the Yabayo Islands, direction unknown.

A meeting of the Legislative Council is called for to-morrow. The only business on the agenda is the second reading of the Bill to prevent the use of false passports and to confer on the Governor-in-Council power to order the internment of certain suspected persons.

Among the race ponies to be sold to-morrow, we are informed, the following will appear:—Mabel, Ploughed field, Bluebird, Forester, Specimens, Blackbird, Dalia, Bomb, Dinkal, Starboardlight, Puritani, Ally, Crosby, Mandarin, China, Queen, King, Charles, King Hal, King Jack, and a number of others.

THE MAGISTRACY.

PREISING A PRISONER.

"You must not press prisoners in on toly," said Mr. Hoeland to a Chinese detective this morning, who was giving evidence against another Chinese in possession of nine lots of opium. Acting Inspector Brown prosecuted. The detective said he pressed defendant who said the opium came from Annam. A fine of \$810 or two months' imprisonment was imposed.

WHEN IS A KITCHEN NOT A KITCHEN?

"Supposing I did a little cooking in my dining room, would that be an offence?" was the query put to Mr. A. E. Wright by Mr. J. R. Wood, the Magistrate, this morning, in a charge against a Chinese of having no kitchen at 11 Chit Lung Street. The complaint of the Public Works Department was that defendant was doing all his cooking on the roof.

Mr. Wright, answering the query, said technically the Magistrate would be liable as he would not have the walls cemented. The Magistrate thought it would be raising the question to convict and suggested that the point should be adjourned to be argued by the Crown Solicitor.

This course was adopted.

ROBBERY DURING HIS ABSENCE.

A MEETING TO DIVIDE THE MOLE.

How a Chinese dentist and two others schemed to rob a broker and insurance agent of his money and belongings was told to Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistrate's Court this morning by Inspector Brazil.

Two men stood in the box and it was explained that the third man had gone to Macao, apparently with the stolen goods. On the afternoon of the 26th inst. the first defendant, the dentist—who lived with the complainant, the second defendant and the man in Macao, at 51 Queen's Road Central—was alleged to have written a letter to the complainant, a copy of which was found in the possession of the second defendant. Evidence was given to the effect that a copy was made by the first defendant and given to the man who was in Macao, who was to hand it to a small boy friend of complainant. During the complainant's absence at his office in Des Voeux Road Central, the defendants and the man in Macao broke open his box and took his money and all his other belongings away. The supposed robbery took place during Saturday morning and the man in Macao was supposed to have taken the steamer to Macao that afternoon. It was agreed between the three men that they should meet in a boarding house in Macao and divide the spoils. The Inspector added that there was an alternative charge of forging the letter which purported to have been written by the complainant and was addressed to the first defendant. The letter was:—

This is to inform you that Chau Yang, my nephew, is going to your place to remove effects to the above floor of the Yau firm hair-dressing saloon. Please let him in the room to avoid the mistake. With compliments. Yours, etc., Chee Wa Kiu.

The police, added the officer, in asking for a remand, were hopeful of getting the man in Macao and of recovering the stolen property.

AN OLD MAN'S STORY.

A tottering Chinese of 82 summers appeared in the dock this morning in the First Court on a charge of being in possession of 28 tins of prepared opium. He wore a white shirt and a white jacket, and he did not know how it was that 18 tins of opium were found in a handkerchief around his stomach or why there should be a further ten tins in his waist belt. He did not know how he got there; in fact, he did not know anything at all about it. He was on a trip to the country to see his mother. Subsequently he said a man told the tins to his body and promised him a little "tea money."

Mr. Hazland, unimpressed by defendant's pitiful attitude and observing his varying age, imposed a fine of \$2,340, or, in default, four months' imprisonment.

ALLEGED COAL THEFT.

Mr. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, defended two Chinese charged on remand this afternoon before Mr. Hazland with the theft of one ton of coal belonging to the Kailan Mining Administration, from a heap situated on the reclaimed north of the Naval Yard Yammal.

Evidence given at a former hearing by Detective-Sergeant Villa, showed that there was a trail from the coal heap to the defendants' back door at 49 Canton Road. The coal seized had evidently been dug out.

Mr. Gordon of Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Hongkong agents of the Kailan Administration, gave evidence to the effect that there were traces that the coal seized resembled that in the heap.

Mr. Hazland held the case had not been proved, the evidence of the trail was in itself slender evidence, and he ordered defendants to be discharged.

TICKLING IN THE THROAT.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

ASSAULTING A WOMAN WITH INTENT TO ROB.

The case was continued to-day, before Mr. Justice Gompertz, of the charge against Li Fu of assaulting a Chinese woman at 65 Wellington Street, on January 31st, with intent to rob her.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin appeared to defend.

An Indian constable said people began to run as soon as they saw him chasing the prisoner. Some of the people in front of the prisoner started running. No whistles were blown.

His Lordship—I remember a small boy amusing Sir Francis Pigott very much when asked why he had run. He said "I have been in Hongkong a long time and I have heard when I was young that whenever I heard a policeman blow his whistle I was to run."

Mr. Jenkin—I was wondering if I blew my whistle I could make my friend Mr. Orme run.

Mr. Orme in his address said that Indian witnesses in those courts were perhaps a little apt, in the desire to tell a good story, to go beyond the strict lines of truth. The Indian sergeant's evidence might have been due to a desire to oblige a gentleman who occupied the high position his learned friend did.

Mr. Jenkin said that the address for the Crown had resolved itself into a novel and unprecedented attack from beginning to end upon an unfortunate Indian sergeant whose evidence had not been what was expected. That was not the way in which cases were conducted in these Courts for the Crown. The Crown Prosecutor's only function was to marshal the facts before the jury. When a Crown Prosecutor sunk to the level of attacking his own witnesses, and saying that this man, as was his experience of Indian police witnesses, would go beyond the truth in order to perform his duty, then he said that the Crown Prosecutor who did that sort of thing had admitted the inherent weakness of his case.

That matter had been brought home to him by the suggestion that the Indian sergeant gave such evidence to oblige him, because during the present time he (Mr. Jenkin) was associated with the force in which the sergeant served.

The case was one of mistaken identity, said Mr. Jenkin, who went on to argue that complainant was mistaken in saying there was nobody else in the street at Chinese New Year time, and that if she could identify the prisoner she could have identified the Indian sergeant.

Prisoner was found not guilty and discharged.

ALLEGED MANSLAUGHTER ON A SHIP.

Li To and Leung Fan were indicted before Mr. Justice Gompertz for the manslaughter of Chi Kam on board the *S.S. Ping Sun* on January 26th. Another count of assault was added in the case of the first man.

Mr. G. N. Orme, of the Crown Solicitor's Department, appeared to prosecute, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin to defend.

Prisoners pleaded not guilty.

Outlining the story of the alleged crime, Mr. Orme said that the second count against the first prisoner was one of assaulting a person who tried to separate the prisoner and deceased. When the vessel came to the Lyceum examination anchorage the prisoners were in the bows at the provision room, sitting there with their luggage. Deceased was seen to go there and was said to have asked the first prisoner to return a loan. From words they got to blows, and when the second prisoner joined in, and shortly afterwards deceased received a stab in the abdomen, from which he died next day in the Civil Hospital. He would not disguise there was some ambiguity in that the first apparent eye-witness stated that the first prisoner pulled out the knife, but the deceased in his dying deposition at the hospital indicated the second prisoner as the man who used the knife. As to the assault on the eye witness who tried to separate them, the witness said clearly that his assailant was the first prisoner.

After the affray the prisoners were found in hiding in the stove-hole, one on the top of the boiler behind a pipe, the other behind the plates close by the bilge water. They were found by the second and fourth engineers. The police flag was hoisted and the police came on board and arrested the men. He would call evidence to show that on that and other voyages the two men were engaged in a common purpose, and it would be for the jury to decide whether in this matter both took part, or only one. It might be difficult in a scuffle to decide which man drew the knife.

Evidence was then called.

A witness said that the first prisoner was taken to a gambling school with the taken fan tan counters produced (some of the counters had a false top). The two prisoners worked together.

His Lordship—A gambling school? Education is indeed asked (laughter).

The witness was asked to point to the clothes he had worn when attacked and was absent some time.

Why, he said, he had a woman's marked his forehead.

The case was adjourned.

A FORTY YEARS' TEST.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

The *S.S. Europa* No. 2, 4,700 tons, of the Uchida S.S. Co., Kobe, has been sold for yen 1,300,000, for delivery in May.

The number of Japanese vessels now engaged in the ocean-going services is put at 214 with aggregate tonnage of 893,581, which means about 44 per cent of the world's total hold space available at present, a Japanese contemporary says.

The American steamer *Robt. D. Clark*, 8,800 d. w. ton, owned by the Dollar Steamship Co., New York, has been sold to Mr. S. Nakamura, a Japanese shipowner, for yen 2,300,000. She will be taken delivery of by the new owners next April at Vladivostok.

The Russian steamer *Felwa*, 1,106 tons, owned by the Count Kiselevich S.S. Co., Vladivostok, which was recently purchased by a Japanese merchant of Hokkaido for ¥80,000, as reported previously, has been resold to the *Tsu Co.*, Kobe, at the price of ¥150,000.

Captain A. E. Moore, well known to travellers by the N.Y.K. passenger liners, was in command of the Company's steamer *Takuma-maru* when she was sunk recently off Newfoundland by the *Silver Shell*, belonging to the Shell Trading and Transport Co. The N.Y.K. are bringing an action for damages against the company.

A fire which broke out in a hold of the *Panama* *Maru* at Yokohama, on the 15th inst., caused considerable damage to the vessel and cotton in the cargo. The fire brigade of the harbour police was called and had the blaze under control in an hour. The amount of damage is about 40,000 Yen. The boat arrived at Yokohama on the 15th from America.

A late telegram from San Francisco says:—"Destruction of the great T.K.K. liner *Singyo* *Maru* by four time-bombs, planted supposedly by German plotters, was avoided by the narrowest margin when the liner sailed from San Francisco on the 26th November with a cargo of war munitions for Russia, according to a letter from Mrs. Louise Crossfield."

The Hashimoto Steamship Co., Daiyo, has announced that the Company has just received the whole of the war insurance monies from the eleven foreign companies, with which the Company's *Yasuhime* *Maru*, torpedoed last December off Oreo, in the Mediterranean, was hull insured up to its aggregate amount of £55,000. Among these companies are included Lloyd's, the Motor Union Insurance Co., the Alliance Assurance, the United British Insurance Co., the Scandinavian Re-Insurance Co., Messrs. Gordon, Woodruff & Co.'s Underwriting Association, etc.

A Japan contemporary says that owing to the lack of bottoms, over 10,000 tons of cargo for Europe, America and Australia are lying in Yokohama. About 6,000 tons of cargo for Europe, consisting of military supplies and other miscellaneous goods, are now held at Yokohama. For America, this delayed cargo consists of silk-pieces, goods, fish oil and miscellaneous cargo for Hawaii, rice, soy and other food stuff for Japanese residents in the islands. Merchandise to Russia has been promptly delivered by the Russian volunteer fleet. Yokohama exporters have held a meeting and sent an application to the government, asking them to transfer three vessels now on the Formosa line to the American and European lines.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Major F. J. G. Arg. of the Yorkshire Light Infantry, who is well remembered in Hongkong, has gained the D.S.O.

News has reached Shanghai of the death on active service of Captain W. H. J. Lee, who before the war broke out was in the service of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, in North China.

The many friends in Hongkong of Major (now Lieut.-Colonel) J. R. McMann E.A.M.C., will be interested to learn that he has been awarded with the C.M.G. in decoration for services rendered in connection with the war. Another E.A.M.C. officer well known in Hongkong who has been similarly rewarded is Lieut.-Colonel F. E. Penny. In the case Supplement to the *London Gazette*, in which these names appear we notice that Colonel W. H. Usher Smith, D.S.O. of the Army Ordnance Department (who was stationed in Hongkong prior to the outbreak of the war) has been rewarded with a C.B.

Captain Hans O. Nelson, who arrived at Yokohama by the T.K.K. liner, *Penis* *Maru*, on his way to San Francisco from Manila died of Bright's disease at the General Hospital. Captain Nelson was 68 years old and had been ill for some time. He was formerly in command of the *Moerwick*, which has been sold. The body was cremated at Negishi and further instructions from his relatives in America are awaited.

Tom Melbourne's Comedy Company announce that to-night and on subsequent nights, they will give "Aye, Aye, Captain," a new and novel musical burlesque which was voted by Shanghai to be the funniest and best items of the company's extensive repertoire. Mr. Melbourne and his eleven colleagues have firmly established a reputation in Hongkong and another pleasing and original programme is bound to draw bumper houses.

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SPORTING.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

BOGEY POOL.

Played at Fanning on 19th and 20th February:

Lieut. F. Kitchin-Smith, 2 up.
Mr. E. Des Voeux, all square.
Mr. E. Golland, all square.
Mr. A. F. Campbell, 3 down.
Mr. E. S. Greenhill, 3 down.
Mr. W. Ross, 3 down.

RAILWAY CUP.

The first two rounds of the above Competition have been completed with results as follows:

FIRST ROUND.

Miss Wilkinson beat Miss Alice Gordon, 7 and 6.

Mrs. Maitland beat Mrs. J. W. Taylor, 7 and 6.

1 up.

Mrs. H. Hancock beat Mrs. H. H. Wills, 19th green.

Miss Hastings beat Mrs. Hammond, 3 and 2.

Mrs. Pearce beat Mrs. Macdonald, 3 and 1.

Mrs. Shenton beat Mrs. Robertson, 3 and 1.

Mrs. Humphreys v. Mrs. Nisbet, Scratched.

Mrs. Crawford beat Mrs. Scott-Harston, 3 and 2.

Mrs. Drey beat Mrs. Pollock, 3 and 5.

Mrs. Martin v. Mrs. N. E. Smith, 3 and 2.

Mrs. Winlow beat Mrs. Manning, 3 and 1.

Mrs. Finlay Miller beat Mrs. M. Harston, 3 and 1.

Mrs. E. Smith v. Mrs. Phelps, Scratched.

Mrs. Davis beat Mrs. Rogers, 7 and 5.

Mrs. Maitland beat Miss Wilkinson, 5 and 4.

Mrs. H. Hancock beat Miss Hastings, 1 up.

Mrs. Shenton beat Mrs. Pearce, 3 and 1.

Mrs. Crawford beat Mrs. Humphreys, 3 and 2.

Miss Rogers beat Mrs. Davey, 5 and 3.

Mrs. Martin v. Mrs. Winlow, Scratched.

Mrs. Miller v. Mrs. Forsyth, Scratched.

Mrs. Davis, Bye.

MR. WILLARD D. STRAIGHT AND FOREIGN COMPETITION.

The United States will face competition after the war from nations better organized and disciplined than ever before and strong industrially in spite of their losses. Mr. Willard D. Straight told the Advertising Men's League at the luncheon at 47, East Twenty-fifth Street, in describing the purposes of the American International Corporation, of which he is a vice-president.

All the nations in this struggle are undergoing a change which is producing national organizations, which are now things in the history of the world. Germany was approaching perfection in its organization before the war, and its wonderful progress commercially and well industrially in recent years, known. France is following her example, and England, though the change began later with her, is being completely made over.

At the end of the war there will be added to the power of these national organizations the strength of the men who as soldiers have become hardened and disciplined. In the face of this the United States must hold its own, organize itself, too, and we should be doing it now, but, in fact, the movement in favour of such an organization is less active now than it was a few months ago.

WEDDING OF AN ARCTIC EXPLORER.

ANGLO-NORWEGIAN ALLIANCE.

The wedding was solemnized at Christ Church, Westminster, last month, of Commander Edward R. G. Evans, R.N., C.B., who joined Captain Scott's ill-fated Antarctic Expedition as second in command, and Miss Elsa Andoré Belle, of Christiania.

The bride, who had been delayed forty hours by a storm in coming from Norway, looked charming in a pinofe dress of white tulle and silk, embroidered in gold, and a stole of white fur, with a white hat having long white plumes.

The bridesmaids wore white cloths with tulle and white ribbons from the Antarctic ship "Terra Nova." They carried

THE WAR.

THE GERMAN OFFENSIVE.

NAVAL OFFENSIVE HERALDED WITH PRINCE HENRY IN COMMAND.

THE TIME FOR THE ALLIES' OFFENSIVE HAS COME.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The heights of the Meuse, along which the Germans were trying to advance, are studded with ravines which are, at present, water-courses. French trenches and batteries enfilade these, and wounded soldiers who have arrived in Paris state that the carnage among the Germans was terrible. At many points, the dead form huge dams in the ravines. Sometimes the dam breaks and the addled flood carries down hundreds of corpses.

The French had not been idle throughout the battle. Troops, munition and artillery trains were rushing over the Eastern railway night and day. The consumption of shells exceeded all estimates; but if the battle ends through lack of ammunition the French are confident that the deficiency will be on the German side.

It is now undoubted that the Verdun thrust was the real thing at last.

The Times' Military Correspondent says the decision to put their fortunes to the test will be received with fierce delight by the Allies. We know much more of the German plans than the Germans thought, including the appointment of Prince Henry of Prussia to the High Command at Sea, heralding a naval offensive. Hence the Allies are not to be caught napping. General Joffre was never before possessed of larger reserves or better placed. Probably the German plan is not yet fully developed. The general idea of the Verdun blow is to attract the French reserves eastwards. Then the Germans may strike in Champagne or elsewhere with greater force, but it is doubtful whether the main French reserves were moved. The local reserves on the Meuse sustaining the contest. When the Germans were exhausted their hand was completely exposed. The time for the Allies' offensive has come.

GERMANY'S SUBMARINE WARFARE.

NOTIFICATION TO AMERICA.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.

Germany has instructed Count Bernstorff to inform the United States Government that the *Unsinkable* assurances apply only to unarmed merchantmen.

It is understood that Germany contents that armed merchantmen are subject to destruction without warning.

Submarine commanders are instructed to begin their relations work on Tuesday.

STEAMERS SUNK.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

Steamers sunk include: The French steamer *Trigau*. In the North Sea on Friday. Five of the crew were rescued and 26 of the passengers and crew are missing.

The Russian steamer *Petahanga*. Fifteen were saved.

THE CAPTIVE BRITISH ON THE "WESTBURN."

TEXAS, Feb. 28.

The *Westburn* left the German raider *Moewe* which captured her, when near Cape Verde on February 15th, taking a southerly course.

The various captive British captains on board protested, whereupon they were offered the choice of making for the Canaries or on unknown island. They chose the Canaries.

The treatment of the prisoners (by the German prize crew) was harsh. They were constantly threatened with bombs. The food was as good as possible.

There is a difference of opinion about the *Moewe's* guns. It is now thought that she had none so large as 7-inch.

A captain and two gunners from the *Olan Macdonald* were detained by the *Moewe* because they worked the gun; also the *Lascaer* crew. The Captain and second officer of the *Westburn* were also detained on the ground that they made false nationality signals.

During the night that the *Westburn* was here, boats from the German main steamers were busy the night long. It is rumoured that they were removing some of the *Appam's* gold, hand-grenades and stores to Las Palmas.

The German prize crew of the *Westburn* were arrested after scuttling the ship. Subsequently the commander and lieutenant were put on parole.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

"MALOJA" DISASTER.

THE DEATH ROLL.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

It is officially announced that 64 passengers have been saved out of 112, and, altogether, 260 were saved out of the full complement of 411.

It is hoped, however, that more names of those saved will yet be received.

The vessel struck a mine midway between Dover and Folkestone. The after part of the ship was blown up. There was a high sea running. The Captain tried to beach his ship, but was unsuccessful, as the engine-room was flooded. The boats were swung out before the accident. Most of the passengers were wearing lifebelts. The behaviour of the passengers and crew was splendid.

RESCUING STEAMER ALSO MINED.

A three-masted steamer (subsequently ascertained to be the *Empress of Port William*) which went to the liner's assistance also struck a mine and sank in half an hour after the *Maloja*. Boats of all descriptions were launched and warships raced to the spot.

The crew of the rescuing steamer were saved and have been landed at Dover.

There have been howled at Dover the bodies of 13 females, two boys, 11 Lascars, and 18 other males.

The *Malaja* will take the *Maloja's* mails to Marseilles.

The *Maloja* is lying in 17 fathoms.

Many of the crew and several passengers have arrived in London. They were dead in rugs and other makeshifts.

PASSENGERS' STORIES.

An Infantry Lieutenant en route to Gibraltar, interviewed, said that most of the passengers were on deck at 11 a.m., when a storm was blowing up. Suddenly there was a violent explosion aft, and the vessel heeled over. The boats on the port side were unable to be used, owing to the list. The Lieutenant's boat fell when the occupants were being lowered and all were thrown out. He swam for ten minutes, and was then taken on a raft and landed on a motor-boat. There was no panic.

The passengers were very calm, and the conduct of the crew was "top-hole."

The Captain of the *Maloja* was the last to leave. He slipped into the water as the vessel disappeared and swam for nearly half an hour.

Interviews with Messrs. Anderson, Avery, Bostock, Heron, Sharpe, and Meredith, and Madame Wilkins are also published.

Mr. Avery was unconscious when he was rescued. He says a lady from his boat died of the cold aboard a rescuing trawler. The seas broke the raft and soaked the occupants. The waves prevented some of the rescuing vessels from launching boats. It is probable that not a life would have been lost but for the fierceness of the water. Mr. Meredith saw seamen leap overboard, with children in their arms. Others who were swimming kept women afloat.

The *Maloja's* printer, Coleman, says that after the explosion he rushed to his boat, and he, with a dozen others, jumped in. The apparatus became jammed. An officer helped to clear the boat, which, however, fell 30 feet into the sea. Three of the occupants were thrown into the water, but were rescued. They were taken off by a tug as the boat was sinking.

Mrs. Gregory Leegood says that she and another lady were knocked down by the explosion and bruised, but they swam to the saloon, got their lifebelts, and entered a boat, but it was so crowded that they jumped into the sea, though unable to swim. They floated for 15 minutes before they were picked up.

The *Daily Telegraph* says all the engine-room staff were saved, except a winchman.

REMINISCENCE OF THE "BLUCHER" PICTURE.

The Captain of the *Empress of Port William*, which was en route to Dunkirk with a cargo of coal, says that on nearing Dover he saw the liner down astern. He went full-speed to her assistance. The port side of the *Maloja* was out of the water. He could see eight of the ship's boats lying on the side, impossible to be used. He saw many persons on the outer side of the vessel, just like the pictures of the *Blucher*.

LANDING THE DEAD AND RESCUED AT DOVER.

It is stated at Dover that 150 passengers from the *Maloja* and from 40 to 50 Lascars have been landed. It is believed that all the officers were saved, with the exception of two engineers.

A Dover message, sent at 10.30 p.m., says that 44 bodies have been landed. The tide is ebbing, and it is not expected that more bodies will be recovered to-night.

A number of injured persons have been landed at Dover and placed on a hospital ship.

The explosion on the *Maloja* was terrific, and was felt about two miles from Dover. It shook the houses on the front.

THE VERDUN BATTLE.

FALSE GERMAN CLAIMS.

LESS THAN 3,000 FRENCH CAPTURED.

PARIS, Feb. 27.

A French official announcement emphasises the false claims of the German communiques. The statement affirms that the total of the French captured by the Germans does not number 3,000, although the Germans claimed to have taken 10,000 on the 25th.

The German announcement of the capture of Champ Neuville is untrue. The Germans boasted of the capture of "the armoured Fort Douaumont," but this was dismantled in the first months of the war, and contained neither gun nor infantry, and the French to-day are beyond it.

THREE VIOLENT ATTACKS BROKEN.

PARIS, Feb. 27.

To-day's communiques say:—In the region north of Verdun our troops continued to strengthen their positions during the night. There has been no change on the attacking front eastward of the Meuse, where a heavy snowfall has occurred.

No fresh attempt has been reported, either on Talou Hill or Poivre Hill.

At dusk yesterday a strong German attack was launched in the region of a farm at Haudaumont, eastward of Poivre Hill and was broken up by our artillery and machine-gun fire and counter-attacks.

Another German attempt not less violent at Bois Haudaumont met with no greater success.

The orderly retreat of our advance posts was carried out without the least molestation by the enemy.

There has been no infantry action west of the Meuse.

The Germans, in the Voeges, after an artillery preparation, attempted a strong attack at nightfall along a front of two kilometres south-eastward of Celles, which completely failed.

The action of our batteries to-day against supply stores at Sussweiler to the north of Munster, gave good results.

OFFENSIVE SLACKENS.

SLOPES COVERED WITH GERMAN DEAD.

PARIS, Feb. 28.

The evening communiques say:—North of Verdun, after the violent actions of the preceding days, a certain slackening of the German efforts in the course of the day was reported, except between Douaumont Hill and the plateau north of the village of Vaux, where a strong attack on our positions was repulsed.

Our troops east and west of the Douaumont position, the whole slopes of which are covered with German dead, are closely encircling the enemy fractions which succeeded in gaining a footing there and are holding the ground only with difficulty.

The latest reports show that none of the enemy occupy Talou Hill, which the opposing artillery have rendered untenable to both sides.

The enemy in the Voeges established contact with our outposts towards Blanzee and Moranville, whence his attempts to debouch in the direction of Hill 255 failed.

There was an artillery duel at Hartmannswillerkopf.

We shelled and dispersed an enemy detachment in the Senones region and carried out a destructive fire on the enemy's works between Senones and Rheims.

VIVID ACCOUNT BY A SCOTSMAN.

LONDON, Feb. 27.

A vivid picture of the Verdun fighting is furnished by a Scottish member of the French Foreign Legion.

He says the Legion was posted behind houses to await the onset. Tons of shells seemed to be raining on us. We could at first see nothing. Then we gradually discerned little dark specks on the horizon, which quickly developed into masses of infantry. Our artillery found the most exact range and wiped out the specks as a sponge wipes out chalk figures from a blackboard. Only when the enemy was five hundred yards distant was fire ordered. A sheet of flame flickered from our line, and gradually became a huge blaze of light, illuminating the white scarred faces of the advancing enemy. They recoiled before the first deadly volley and disappeared.

We could hear the frantic incitements of the officers to induce the men to return. Time after time they succeeded, but each time the attack crumpled up. A lull followed.

Then the artillery again opened fire, prelude to a larger attack. This time the enemy got nearer our front. The ranks wavered and the enemy swept exultantly forward, but they were stopped dead at 100 yards by our fire. Before the enemy could recover we dashed forward with the bayonet and completed the rout.

Meanwhile mortars were bringing up reinforcements for the Germans. The attack was renewed irresistibly. We were forced back by inches. The slaughter was indescribable. In the fighting at close quarters we lost our share. A portion of the Legion left to cover the retreat escaped annihilation with difficulty, the Germans pressing the attack regardless of life to such an extent as to make the blood freeze.

ENEMY COLUMN ROUTED IN EGYPT.

CAIRO, Feb. 28.

It is officially announced that General Lukins' column, consisting of South Africans, Yeomanry, and Territorial artillery, on Saturday morning attacked an enemy column under Mari and Sanfar at Agadin, 15 miles south-east of Barrami. By 3.30 the enemy had been completely routed, and was fleeing in scattered parties, pursued by our cavalry.

At 4 o'clock aeroplanes reported them eight miles south-west of Agadin, still being pursued.

TURKS MAKE ANOTHER STAND IN CAUCASUS.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

It is believed in Petrograd that the Turks have taken their stand in the mountains sixty miles west of Erzurum.

RUSSIANS STILL PURSUING TURKS.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 28.

A communiqué says:—We are still vigorously pursuing the Turks, amid violent snow-storms. The snow in some places reaches breast-high.

THE EVACUATION OF DURAZZO.

ROME, Feb. 28.

The Italian and Albanian troops and 200,000 refugees, with all stores, evacuated Durazzo prior to the Austrian occupation.

An Austrian communiqué says:—Our troops have occupied Durazzo.

VIGOROUS SUBMARINE WAR BEGINS.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 28.

It is semi-officially announced in Berlin that a vigorous submarine war will begin at the stated time, the 1st March. There will be no question of deviating from the measures.

CALLING UP MARRIED MEN.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The War Office announces that the date for calling up the married men has not been considered.

AIR RAID CASUALTIES.

NEARLY 200 KILLED AND INJURED.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

An official announcement giving the final list of casualties of the Zeppelin raid on England on the night of January 31st states that 184 men, women and children were killed and injured.

Altogether 393 bombs were dropped.

AIR SQUADRON FROM COMMONWEALTH.

LONDON, Feb. 28.

The War Office have accepted the Commonwealth's offer of an aerial squadron of 25 officers and 156 men.

DISTINGUISHED NAVAL CONSTRUCTOR.

Sir Philip Watts, who retired in 1912 from the important post of Director of Naval Construction, acting since then as adviser on naval construction at the Admiralty, has just accepted a seat on the board of Sir W. G. Armstrong, Whitworth and Co., Ltd.

On his retirement in 1912 Mr. McKenna, who was then First Lord of the Admiralty, said of Sir Philip: "He must be on his broad shoulders all the praise and all the blame which is to be associated with the name of 'Dreadnought.' During his period he had seen the advent of the first ship of the Dreadnought and the Invincible classes."

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The recruit—Oh, yes, sir; sticks up for both on 'em—a sort of neutral.

To-day's Advertisements.

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No. 2 Dock, Kowloon	200	100	10	12	2	
No. 3 Dock, Kowloon	200	100	10	12	2	
No. 4 Dock, Kowloon	200	100	10	12	2	
No. 5 Dock, Kowloon	200	100	10	12	2	
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ARRIVALS.

February 28.
 Yachin, British steamer, 1,396, H. Somner
 Saigon Feb. 23, Rice - BATTERSEA & SWIN.
 Halls, Norwegian steamer, 1,065, A. Scott
 Saigon Feb. 22, Rice - LAVA CHINA-JAPAN
 LINE.
 Taitan, French steamer, 891, P. La
 Treguer, Bangkok Feb. 19, Rice.
 Standard, Norwegian steamer, 894, O.
 Johansen, Bangkok Feb. 22, General.
 Yachin & Co.
 Yachin, British steamer, 1,105, J. W.
 Doyle, Port of Spain Feb. 24, Lino
 Stone - SHERMAN, TOMES & CO.
 February 29.
 Laidong, British steamer, 979, D. W. Ritchie,
 Raiphoon and Kithow Feb. 24, General.
 JARIN, MATTHEWS & CO. LD.
 Taitan, French steamer, 1,145, H.
 Sakai, Saigon Feb. 24, Rice - DOWDALL &
 CO. LD.
 Taitan, British steamer, 870, J. W. Read,
 Manila Feb. 27, General - BUTTERFIELD &
 SWIRE.
 Yachin, British steamer, 1,735, W. M.
 Messey, Manila Feb. 27, General.
 JARIN, MATTHEWS & CO. LD.
 Glenholme, British steamer, 1,434, A.
 McKenzie, Singapore Feb. 22, General.
 CHINESE.
 Kwang Tai, Chinese steamer, 3,315, C.
 Stewart, Shanghai Feb. 28, General - C.
 M. S. N. Co.
 Shinan, Japanese steamer, 3,031, M.
 Nio, Manila Feb. 24, General - JARIN,
 MATTHEWS & CO. LD.
 Taitan, Japanese steamer, 3,003, S.
 Nagano, Seattle Jan. 25, General - N.
 Y. K.
 Soshu, Japanese steamer, from Can-
 ton.

DEPARTURES.

February 28.
 Salahadi, for Tarkana.
 February 29.
 Numa, for Shanghai and Yokohama.
 Knight, for Singapore.
 Taitan, for Bangkok.
 Fan Spilbergen, for Singapore.
 Finn, for Hong Kong.
 Sengapore, for Singapore.
 Penang, for Singapore and Kobe.
 Taiyu, for Manila and Australia.
 Chinghai, for Kanton.
 Oryu, for Kanton.
 Ewchow, for Kanton.
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 Chinghai, for Kanton.
 Hai Hong, for Swatow and Foochow.

CLEARED.

Kwanchow, for Hong Kong.
 Yachin, for Shanghai.
 Jangnan, for Singapore and Bombay.
 Ceylon, for Shanghai and Kobe.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Yachin from Saigon
 reports: On 28th, 24th and 25th, had ice
 and clear weather with light wind; on
 26th and 27th, experienced strong westerly
 wind.
 The Norwegian steamer Taitan from
 Saigon reports: Strong monsoon, heavy
 rain.
 The French steamer Taitan from
 Saigon reports: Fresh breeze, heavy sea,
 cloudy weather.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

Latest Address.
 The s.s. Hioa left Calcutta on the 23rd
 February, and may be expected here
 on or about the 16th March.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY.

HONGKONG DAILY WEATHER

REPORT.

FEBRUARY 29, 1916.-A.M.

FEBRUARY 29, 1916.—a.m.					
Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer Temperature.	Wind Direction.	Force.
Wanchow	8.4	30.29	78	SE	4
Namtu	5.1	30.26	78	SE	4
Hokodate	"	30.21	78	SE	4
Tokio	"	30.21	78	SE	4
Kobe	"	30.22	78	SE	4
Yokohama	"	30.27	78	SE	4
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